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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 22, 2002, Applicants hereby elect Species I: page 1, lines 28-32. Only claims 1 and 2 are readable thereon, however, it is believed that claims 1-72 would form a group that would reasonably be examined together. Moreover, it is believed that the species restriction is improper since the species is generic with respect to at least claims 68, and 70-72.

Applicants also believe that Species I and Species II: page2, lines 1-4 should be combined, as both species contain some similar subject matter.